A TRIBUTE TO O. LEWIS HARRIS

HON. NITA M. LOWEY

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, April 12, 1999

Mrs. LOWEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to express my great admiration for Lew Harris, a remarkable leader and citizen who this year celebrates 20 years of service to the Forest Hills Community House.

A man of principle, intelligence, and skill, Mr. Harris has helped the Forest Hills Community House grow from a fledgling organization to a pillar of Queens social and community life. Today, the Community House serves some 15,000 people with over 35 programs operating out of 19 locations. What's more, the Forest Hills Community House is now widely regarded as a model to other settlement houses in the region, with a variety and depth of programming second to none.

Lew Harris has also been actively involved in a wide range of other important community activities, including Community Board Six, the Queensboro Council for Social Welfare, the Queens Interagency Council for Aging, the Non-Profit Coordinating Committee of New York, the Council of Senior Centers and Services of New York City, and the New York State Coalition for the Aging.

From leadership positions in these organizations and others, Lew Harris has strengthened human services at every level, making a critical difference in the lives of literally thousands of individuals, with a particular contribution to the opportunities available to older Americans.

We are a better community thanks to Lew Harris' vision and leadership. I am confident that his exceptional example will remain a source of guidance and inspiration to service providers for many years to come.

A TRIBUTE TO OUR COMRADES-IN-ARMS—AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND VETERANS ON ANZAC DAY

HON. CARRIE P. MEEK

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Monday, April 12, 1999

Mrs. MEEK of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to our Allied comrades-inarms, the Australian and New Zealand veterans of the First and Second World Wars, as they celebrate Anzac Day on Sunday, April 25. Anzac Day is a national holiday, very similar to America's Memorial Day, on which citizens in Australia and New Zealand pause to remember those who have fallen in twentieth century combat, in the defense of freedom.

Throughout Australia, one sees many memorials to the Anzacs, the valiant veterans of World War I. The list of those who gave their lives in battle for their nation often is greater than those who currently live in the same districts. Australia suffered a 68% casualty rate in

of Honor for Science and Art from Austria in the First World War, the highest in the British Commonwealth.

The Allied soldiers were well received. General William Blackbird of England wrote that the Australians were reckless and debonair, would stick at things no matter what the odds, were proud of their independence, and were proud of dying bravely. He finished by writing that the Australians were gladiators with the eyes of children.

This proud Australian tradition of fighting courageously was continued by the veterans of World War II. As the Axis Powers began to enslave the world in the 1930's, the young Australians responded by preparing for military exodus from home. Knowing that sectors of sparsely-populated Australia would succumb upon overwhelming Japanese invasion, the Australians dismantled direction signs and built serpentine roads to inland airfields. These winding roads were intended by the Australians to be used later to good effect in guerrilla warfare, as the citizens fought to reclaim their nation from enemy occupying forces.

Well aware of the overwhelming might of the nearby Japanese armed forces, and knowing that they would be in Allied military service for an extended period of time, many Australians of fighting age destroyed their prized farm horses, so that the animals would not be used by the enemy against Australia in the fu-

Acknowledging the tradition of honoring courage on Anzac Day, I pay particular tribute to one of Australia's Army veterans of World War Two, the former Corporal John Henry Soulsby of the state of Victoria, who exemplifies Australia's fortitude. Jack Soulsby served in the Australian Commonwealth Military Forces from 1940-1948, and was an Army Medic in the jungles of Borneo. He was known affectionately as "Aspro," (Australian slang for aspirin), by other Australian Army veterans, for, at times, all that the young Medic had to give the badly wounded men were aspirin tablets, the sterile bandages which he had made, his constant care, and prayers. Strong, athletic, and blessed with a sunny temperament, Corporal Soulsby boiled and re-used dressings in his innovative drive to help his comrades in the face of scarce medical supplies. Later, Mr. Soulsby exclaimed fervently, "If it weren't for the United States, Australia wouldn't exist today, for America gave us the men and the equipment to fight with!"

This month, on April 25, perhaps we Americans, too, will pause in appreciation of the love of freedom and the devotion of our comrades-in-arms, who will be celebrating Anzac Day in Australia and New Zealand.

IN MEMORY OF DAVE LONGABERGER OF DRESDEN, OHIO

HON. ROBERT W. NEY

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Monday, April 12, 1999

Mr. NEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in memory of Dave Longaberger, who passed away on March 17, 1999. Dave was the founder of The Longaberger Company and a man of tremendous vision who never lost his sense of tradition.

He spent his life serving his community and was well loved and respected by all who knew him. He was a man known for his pizzazz and his strength.

Mr. Speaker, it is a privilege for me to pay my last respects to a man who gave so much of himself to his community and his family. Dave will be missed by all whose lives he touched. I am honored to have represented him and proud to call him a constituent.

IN HONOR OF THE LATE MR. JO-SEPH F. UNANUE FOR HIS DEDI-CATION TO THE HISPANIC COM-MUNITY

HON. ROBERT MENENDEZ

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Monday, April 12, 1999

Mr. MENENDEZ. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the late Joseph F. Unanue for his extraordinary contributions to the Hispanic Community and for the strides he made for Hispanic businesses.

Born in Santurce, Puerto Rico, Mr. Unanue moved with his family to my home state of New Jersey in his early childhood. Realizing how important and significant cuisine is to culture, Mr. Unanue's grandparents founded a family business in 1936, designed to bring the spices and tastes of their native foods to the New Jersey metropolitan area. In the process, Mr. Unanue's business addressed the needs of a marginalized consumer market and helped build his company into a household name. This business, today known as Goya Foods, is one of the largest Hispanic-owned firms in the nation.

Mr. Unanue continued Goya's commitment to the family and to the Hispanic community as he rose through the ranks to eventually become Executive Vice President. Armed with a master's degree in business administration from the University of North Carolina, Mr. Unanue was critical in introducing the art and flavor of traditional Hispanic dishes into American homes. He spearheaded Goya's marketing project that aimed for the non-Hispanic consumer by implementing an extensive English-language campaign. This campaign played an important role in Goya's multicultural business success and opened Middle America to Hispanic culinary traditions.

Mr. Unanue's contributions went beyond the kitchen and the boardroom and into the realm of art. In 1997. Mr. Unanue sponsored two major exhibits which highlighted the contributions of minority artists. The first was a Picasso exhibit at the Metropolitan Museum of Art, a compilation of 150 engravings, etchings and woodcuts by the renowned Spanish artist dating from 1900 through 1942. The second was an exhibit at Museo del Barrio of Taino artifacts-the indigenous people of the Caribbean. This project proved to be the first comprehensive art exhibit of the ancient Caribbean culture ever presented in North America.

Mr. Unanue's leadership and dedication to promote and support both the Hispanic community and Hispanic business is his legacy. Though he has passed on, his tremendous efforts and contributions remain to remind us of